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TO AMEMBASSY PORT MORESBY PRIORITY

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SUBJECT: PROPOSED VISIT TO PORT MORESBY BY PEACE CORPS
REGIONAL DIRECTOR

1. SUBJECT TO EMBASSY'S CONCURRENCE, JOHN ANDREWS, PEACE CORPS REGIONAL DIRECTOR FOR NORTH AFRICA, NEAR EAST, ASIA AND PACIFIC, PROPOSES TO PAY BRIEF VISIT TO PORT MORESBY DURING COURSE OF EXTENSIVE REGIONAL TRIP BEGINNING LATER THIS MONTH. PURPOSE WOULD BE TO DISCUSS WITH EMBASSY, AND THEREAFTER WITH APPROPRIATE PNG OFFICIALS, THE POSSIBILITY OF ESTABLISHING A PEACE CORPS PROGRAM FOR PNG.

2. FOREGOING DISCUSSED IN GENERAL TERMS WHEN PEACE CORPS DIRECTOR DELLENBACK AND ANDREWS CALLED ON ASSISTANT SECRETARY HUMMEL SEPT. 15. BUREAU BELIEVES ANDREWS VISIT WOULD BE WORTHWHILE.

3. IF YOU CONCUR, ANDREWS WOULD ARRIVE OCTOBER 18 ON FLIGHT FJ 501 FROM HONIARA FOR A TWO-DAY STAY. HE WOULD BE ACCOMPANIED BY DAVID INGRAM, PC AREA DIRECTOR FOR ASIA-PACIFIC. INGRAM WOULD BE PREPARED TO REMAIN LONGER

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THAN TWO DAYS SHOULD PRELIMINARY DISCUSSIONS WARRANT.

4. FYI: ANDREWS HAD HOPED TO SEE AMBASSADOR OLMSTED

DURING PROPOSED TRIP TO CLARIFY MISUNDERSTANDINGS
CREATED BY EARLIER OUT-OF-CHANNELS PEACE CORPS CONTACT
WITH PRIMIN COMARE RESULTING FROM LATTER'S VISIT TO
GILBERT ISLANDS. SINCE AMBASSADOR WILL BE IN U.S. DURING
HIS PROPOSED VISIT, ANDREWS COUNTS ON MEETING WITH HER
IN WASHINGTON LATE NOVEMBER. END FYI.

5. IT OCCURS TO US THAT AMBASSADOR MAY WISH TO MENTION
PROSPECTIVE ANDREWS VISIT TO PNG OFFICIALS BEFORE SHE
DEPARTS POST AND INDICATE THAT VISIT HAS BEEN APPROVED.
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